

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Since glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) is the most potent insulinotropic hormone known and has been shown to stimulate insulin secretion strongly in patients with type II diabetes, this invention uses GLP-1 or its biologically active analogues in β -cell stimulatory tests in order to test β -cell function in a simple way. The test provides information about insulin secretory capacity, is easy and reproducible and has insignificant side effects.

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